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GSFC Employee Convicted

On December 1, 1999, Dennis Olivares appeared before Judge Charles O. Day in the US District Court, Southern District of Maryland, Greenbelt, Maryland, and was found guilty of assault upon a NASA employee in violation of 18 U.S.C. Section 113(a)(4). Olivares was sentenced to one year of probation, fined \$300, and ordered to pay a \$10 special assessment fee. In addition, Olivares was ordered to serve 20 hours of community service and to attend anger management training to be specified by the probation department.

This investigation was predicated on information received from GSFC Security. Investigation disclosed that on September 9, 1998, Olivares assaulted David A. Perry, a NASA employee also working at Goddard. The assault took place during a group meeting in Building 23, room 147, where, in front of numerous witnesses, Olivares grabbed Perry by his jacket and threw him against several filing cabinets.

The case was investigated by Special Agents from the NASA Office of Inspector General and GSFC Security Branch. Assistant United States Attorney Hollis Weisman, U. S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Maryland, Greenbelt, Maryland, 301-344-4029 handled the prosecution.

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